

HORROR AT ADRIAN

A Gasoline Stove Explodes With Awful Results

ONE CHILD HORRIBLY ROASTED

Another One Fatally Burned and the Mother Will Die From Injuries Received.

ADRIAN, Mich., March 25.—At 9:30 o'clock this morning Mrs. Henry Lards, wife of Turney Lards of the county jail, was cleaning the carpet of one of the rooms of her home on Erie street with gasoline. Her two children, a boy of 2 and a girl of 3, were playing near her. Suddenly a gasoline stove in an adjoining room exploded. In an instant the whole of the room where the mother was at work upon the gasoline-saturated carpet, was ablaze. The clothing of all three became ignited, and the mother and older child ran screaming into the yard, seemingly forgetting the little one.

Neighbors came to the rescue, but not until the clothing of the mother and little girl had been burned off.

Then frenzied brought out the dead body of the little boy, burned to a crisp. Mrs. Lards is thought to be fatally burned and there are but slight hopes of saving the girl.

No more sobering sight has met the eye of the citizens of Adrian since the Silver tragedy at Tecumseh, than the view that was presented at the scene of this morning's tragedy. The damage to the house was slight.

KENT COUNTY SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

A Spirited and Interesting Convention Held at Cedar Springs.

CEDAR SPRINGS, March 25.—A large crowd attended the opening of the Kent county annual Sunday school convention at the M. E. church here last night. There was a spirit and enthusiasm in the air, several subjects were responded to in the style of toasts, which were genial and witty. The event of the evening, however, was an essay by Miss Geneva Moon, a teacher in the high school in this place.

Three sessions were held today. At the morning session John M. Hall of Flint, director of the Bay View assembly, gave a normal drill.

This afternoon officers were elected as follows: President, Amos S. Muselman, Grand Rapids; vice-president, Mrs. King Davis, Belmont; secretary and treasurer, E. K. Mohr, Grand Rapids. There were seventy-five visitors holding delegate's credentials.

Secretary Mohr said: "We have seventeen townships organized, fifteen of which were organized during the last year. The work is in a promising condition, and enthusiasm seems to grow."

Walker Township Nominations.

WALKER, Mich., March 25.—Republicans nominated the following ticket: Supervisor, Martens Taber; clerk, Eli W. Allen; treasurer, Thomas E. Graham; school inspector, John E. Corporon; highway commissioner, Albert R. Edison; justice to fill vacancy, Robert D. Graham; justice of the peace, full time, Philo Z. Peck; members of board of review, Sylvester J. Stuart, Milo H. Edison; town committee, Frank Dudley, Henry Gormley, Fred H. Holmes, John Sanford; delegates to county convention, E. W. Allen, E. Manly, Milo Edison.

Paris Republicans.

The following names were placed in nomination: Supervisor, Connor H. Smith; clerk, Hugo B. Rathbun; treasurer, Lyman J. McGrath; highway commissioner, Engel De Young; board of review, Walter R. Smith and W. Goodell; school inspectors, Wm. H. Jacobs and Charles W. Garfield; delegates to county convention, W. T. Adams, C. W. Garfield and L. J. McGrath.

Muskegon's Strong Ticket.

MUSKEGON, Mich., March 25.—The republican city convention which was held today nominated James Gow, a prominent lumberman of this city, for mayor; George H. McKillip for recorder, W. F. Wisselogel for treasurer, and Peter W. Losby for justice of the peace. Great enthusiasm prevailed among the delegates and spectators. A large republican majority is looked for at the polls, as the democratic ticket is considered very weak.

Heffron of Schoolcraft.

LANSING, March 25.—Governor Winans today issued an order directing the attorney general to investigate the charges preferred against Sheriff Dennis Heffron of Schoolcraft county. The investigation will be conducted before the circuit court commissioner or the judge of probate, as the attorney general may designate.

She Took Her Own Life.

GLADWIN, Mich., March 25.—Mrs. Geo. D. McGivern committed suicide here Wednesday night by taking strichnine while temporarily insane. She formerly lived in Detroit. Her husband is a prominent politician.

Michigan Passions.

Michigan passions granted: Original—Isa Weatherly, James Asano, Albert Erdige, Robert Cheyne, Lafayette Lewis, Linus Bookham, James Toie, Stanley E. Kirby, Charles D. Snow (deceased), James H. Moore, Benjamin H. Skinner, Dyer Wilson, Stephen Denney, Alonso P. Jaquays, Anthony Orth, Albert H. R. Pitch, Jr., Art Sitrin, Norman F. Payne, Joseph Eids, Larry Brown, John McGregor, Charles E. Blodow, Luther B. Clough, Daniel McInvernon, James W. Trumbull, John Orrison, Thomas Bodd, Brastus J. Wall, James H. Neighors, Additional—Andrew King, James McSorley, Royal H. Benson, John McGuire, William Sweet, Geo. W. Yancey, Renewell, and Increase—Lycurgus G. Sutherland, Wallace D. Wright, Isaac Hawkins, Increase—Henry DeLongy, John B. Everingham, Isaac N. Blesser, Matthew Seeger, George Erick, William J. Carroll, Michael Miller, Michael J. Cunningham, Alphonse Wilson, Orville Finch, A. Freeman, Nelson De Camp, Edgar Griffin Arthur, Allen, Fernando C. Rhoades, John E. Speer, Thomas Walker, Charles Conat, Van Rossmeyer, Willett, Andrew J. Martin, Reed Larson, Neighbors—George F. Anson, Howard Lawson (deceased), Original, widows, etc.—Marina J. McColley, Anna Chapman, widow of Major Almon Belton, Mrs. Wyman, Marcia Larson, widow of Charles A. Larson, Royal Moore (father), Sarah Jade Headley (mother).

General State News.

August Arnold of St. Louis fired the gun of a neighbor, F. Hammer, where his wife was staying, early Thursday

morning and the house and contents were destroyed, the inmates escaping. Later in the day he shot at his wife and the bullet lodging between her shoulders. Thinking he had accomplished his purpose, he shot himself in the head, dying instantly. Mrs. Arnold will recover. At the time the Toledo & Ann Arbor railway was being completed to St. Louis, Arnold lost one leg in an accident on that road. He was given a position as luggage keeper, which he has held till the present time. A letter was round in his pockets which shows he premeditated his terrible deed.

At the farmers' institute recently held at Howell, Governor Winans gave a brief talk on highways. He showed that among all the nations of the earth America ranked lowest in point of highways; that in this respect the American farmer was placed at a great disadvantage by the farmers of Europe, as one horse in England can haul double the amount of produce to market that a span of horses can draw in Michigan.

A few days ago a man was caught blow a falling tree at Bullock's crossroads near Alpena. The other employee pulled him out for dead, and telephoned to his relatives at Alpena to meet at the next train with a hearse. When the train came in, however, the "dead" man jumped off and said he was well enough to live. The man who had telephoned for a coffin, he was only slightly injured.

The Epworth league, in session at Alpena, have elected the following officers: President, W. S. Seeley, Jr., Central League, Detroit; first vice president, W. W. Cooper, St. Joseph; second vice-president, Nettie Dambacher, Saginaw; secretary, the Rev. M. F. Taunton, Ludington; treasurer, Miss Ella Van Schock, Albion.

Ralph Drake of Fremont, O., and Miss Kittie Jackson of Coldwater were married at the bride's home Thursday. After the ceremony had been performed, the bride's father and Miss Lillian Hayes surprised the guests by stepping up and entering into the married state also.

Presiding Elder Cogshall is a hustler. He preached in Caledonia in the morning, and then hired a livery rig for \$3, rode a distance of twenty miles, arriving in time for holding the evening services. Received a collection of \$30. He said it was all right.

New bicycle club in Bay City. Fifteen enthusiasts met together, elected officers, with E. W. Sims as president, Arthur Swart, secretary, and Shelley Grump, captain. It will be known as the Cyclone Cycling club, and its colors are black and gold.

A Ludington boy happened on a "Blinky Morgan" this Thursday. The find consisted of a lot of jewelry, gold watches silver watches, gold chains and lockets. All the stuff had the appearance of having been hidden for quite a length of time.

While attempting to cross the Flint & Pere Marquette railroad track at Kearns street at Flint Thursday morning, Andrew Hughes, an unmarried man about 39 years of age, was struck by a switch engine and instantly killed.

The state teachers' institute for Calhoun county will convene at Homer March 25 and last until April 1. Prof Deves Fall of Albion and C. N. Kendall of Saginaw will have charge of it.

Age sometimes improves the flavor of canned fruits. Mrs. W. S. Hale of Alaska opened a jar of currants put up sixteen years ago and found them fresh and of excellent flavor.

BARRY COUNTY CHICKENS lay big eggs.

J. W. Barnes has the best hen, producing an egg which measured eight inches in its "periphery" and six inches in the "aperture" of its shell.

The botanical department of the agricultural college has received 100 botanical wall maps from Germany for class use. These maps are of the very best make.

Port Huron stevedores and longshoremen raised wages, and the vessel owners kicked vigorously. The Michigan association will take action on the question.

The Michigan patrons of industry have presented a resolution to congress in favor of the passage of the bill for free delivery of mails in rural communities.

The Rev. R. Shier, pastor of the Newaygo Methodist church, is much nearer heaven than any member of his flock. He is the tallest man in the village.

Ed Wright, near Ludington, was down in a well when the bucket fell on his head, knocking him senseless. He now has a fever and is bad off.

A. D. Gregory of Mancelona had the misfortune to get caught in the gearing while at work in the dish factory, and sustained serious injuries.

The Barry County Teachers' association will convene at Middleville Saturday, April 8, at 9 a.m. An interesting program has been arranged.

Some Romeo hunters in the Lake Superior country last winter found a female dog and litter of puppies house-keeping in a hollow tree.

The Onota Fishing and Shooting club of Marquette will build a club house on Laughing Fish Point at the mouth of Laughing Fish river.

Reynold's dry kin at Big Rapids was destroyed by fire Thursday morning, with a loss of \$2500. Insured for \$1000.

M. E. Sherman of Beloit is a sharp one. Found a potato bug yesterday out looking after the early potatoes.

Peter Olson of Muskegon was thrown down by a freight car and had both legs broken Thursday.

Prosecuting Attorney Grandall of Iron county, is cashier of the new state bank at Crystal Falls.

It is reported that Cadillac is to have a daily newspaper, the first number to appear next week.

Grand Rapids parties are to build a \$2000 residence for W. E. Keefer at Middleville.

A lively religious revival is causing consternation in the sinners' ranks at Springport.

A Leslie man has invented a machine to pick up stone and load them in a wagon.

E. O. Crumm was nominated by the Bay City republicans for mayor yesterday.

Healey motors will be running between Owosso and Corunna by April 15.

Benton Harbor Knights of Pythias will give military ball on the 30th.

The Smith purifier machinery at Jackson will be removed to Denver.

A Nashville woman is under arrest for robbing a gambling room.

"Crazy leas" are in vogue now at Shalloway.

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